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Excise Officers Arrest 12 in Muncie

MUNCIE, Ind. (Aug. 3) – Indiana State Excise Police officers arrested 12 people on 40 charges in Muncie this weekend.

On Friday, seven minors were issued 23 summonses for possession of false ID, minor in tavern, illegal possession of alcohol, false informing and false statement of age.

On Saturday, five minors were issued 17 summonses for illegal possession of alcohol, possession of false ID, misuse of driver's license, false statement of age and false informing.

Eleven of the minors were found to be in possession of false identification and a majority of the arrestees were from out of state and possessed out of state false IDs.

Excise officers continually train on different types of false IDs, particularly from other states.

Indiana State Excise Police officers will continue to promote public safety in Muncie as students return to Ball State University for the fall semester.

As the enforcement division of the Indiana Alcohol and Tobacco Commission, the primary mission of the Indiana State Excise Police is to promote public safety by enforcing Indiana's Alcoholic Beverage Code. While excise officers have the authority to enforce any state law, they focus primarily on alcohol, tobacco and related laws.

All criminal defendants are to be presumed innocent until, and unless, proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.